

In the Court of Appeals of the State of Alaska

Christopher D. Strawn,
Appellant,

v.

State of Alaska,
Appellee.

Court of Appeals No. A-13237

Order

Date of Order: **February 25, 2020**

Trial Court Case No. **1JU-15-01125CR**

The Appellant, Christopher D. Strawn, represents himself in this appeal. He has recently filed his third request for a five month extension of time to file his opening brief. This Court has already, over the victim's objection, granted Mr. Strawn extensions of about twelve months. Although the Court noted that in its experience, self-represented appellants often received numerous extensions of time, the Court also warned Mr. Strawn that a third request for an extension would be granted only if he demonstrated extraordinary circumstances. As a general matter, the fact that Mr. Strawn has experienced some difficulties because he has chosen to represent himself while he is incarcerated, or the fact that he has had difficulty concentrating because he believes he may be transferred to another facility, do not amount to extraordinary circumstances.

For these reasons, and in the interests of justice, **IT IS ORDERED:**

Mr. Strawn's motion for a five-month extension of time to file his opening brief is **GRANTED IN PART**. Mr. Strawn's opening brief is now due **on or before May 4, 2020**. **No further extensions will be granted.** If Mr. Strawn does not file his opening brief by or before **May 4, 2020**, the Appellate Clerk is directed to close this case for failure to prosecute under the procedures of Appellate Rule 511.5.

Entered under the authority of Chief Judge Allard.

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Clerk of the Appellate Courts

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